

has begun for America to do better than this.

The work accomplished today by the HELP Committee is, of course, a first step in a long journey toward restructuring our health care system. The path to meaningful reform will not be easy. We have many rivers to cross, and our efforts to implement change will still face challenges. Certain stakeholders, invested in the status quo, will fight back against change; they will drag their feet; they will misinform; and they will mobilize—all with the singular purpose of defeating our progress toward comprehensive health care reform.

I know the fight to secure final passage of our reform will be contentious, but I welcome a vigorous debate on the Senate floor because I also know our current system has reached a state of disrepair that is putting us at risk—as patients, as families, as competitive businesses, and as a nation. And failing to change the status quo is both unsustainable and irresponsible.

I thank the Presiding Officer, and I yield the floor.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate stands adjourned until Thursday, July 16, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 8 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, July 16, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

RICHARD SERINO, OF MASSACHUSETTS, TO BE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR AND CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE HARVEY E. JOHNSON, JR., RESIGNED.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531(A):

To be major

DAVID A. MACGREGOR

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be colonel

NATHANIEL JOHNSON, JR.

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be colonel

JASON E. JOHNSON
DOUGLAS C. ROSE, JR.
CARY A. SHILLCUTT

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be colonel

RICHARD P. ADAMS
RANDALL B. BRADFORD
KENNETH G. CAMPBELL
STEVEN W. MILLER
GEORGE M. SCHWARTZ
MICHAEL J. STEWART

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY

NURSE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be lieutenant colonel

KIRSTEN M. ANKE
VELVET D. BAKER
ELLEN S. BARKSDALE
TAKAKO L. BARRELL
ANDREW C. BAXTER
LINDA L. BLACKMAN
MICHAEL T. BOZZO
DAVID M. CASSELLA
DEBRA A. CHAPPEL
PATRICIA A. COBURN
JAMIE F. CORNALI
PATRICIA A. CRANE
FREDERICK L. DAVIDSON
LAURA D. DESNOO
CHERYL R. EVANS
VERNELL R. FLOODDEYOUNG
LISA R. FORD
MELISA A. GANTT
EUGENIO GARCIA, JR.
JUANITA GAUSS
MICHAEL A. GLADU
JANET D. GOODART
MICHELLE D. HAIRSTON
REBECCA L. HILFIKER
TERRI J. HOLLOWAYPETTY
SHANNON M. JONES
DARLENE M. JULKOWSKI
LISA LEAZENBY
TODD R. LITTLE
DENNIS G. LOGAN
JUDITH M. LOGAN
MICHAEL J. LOUGHREN
MICHAEL E. LUDWIG
DARIN S. MARCHOK
HENGMO Y. MCCALL
ELIZABETH M. MILLER
REBECCA N. MIONE
LINDA K. MOORE
DANA A. MUNARI
ROBIN R. NEUMEIER
PATRICIA A. ONEALMELLEN
SUSAN ORCUTT CLOFT
DAVID J. PARIS
NANCY E. PARSON
ANTHONY D. PEVERINI
JAMES R. POST
ANDREW A. POWELL
JAMES R. REED
RICHARD T. REID
SANDRA M. ROLPH
MILAGROS ROSA
MICHAEL L. SCHLICHER
SHARON U. SCOTT
DOROTHY L. SHACKLEFORD
LORI A. SKINNER
PAMELA M. SOLETLINDSAY
YOUNGHEE SONG
BRITTANY R. SPEERS
NANCY M. STEELE
BENJAMIN STINSON
CYNTHIA L. SVEINE
MARIA M. VANTERPOOL
ERIC H. WATSON
STACY U. WEINA
JEFFREY L. WELLS
KIMBERLY E. WILLIAMS
SARAH A. WILLIAMS BROWN
JASON S. WINDSOR
JOSEPH N. WINTER
REBECCA A. YUREK

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL SPECIALIST CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be lieutenant colonel

MARY C. ADAMSSCHALLENGER
TERESA L. BRININGER
SUSAN DAVIS
DAVID H. DUPLESSIS
SANDRA E. KEELIN
SHAWN T. LOCKETT
JEFFREY P. NELSON
MATTHEW G. ST LAURENT
DEYDRE S. TEYHEN
RICHARD A. VILLARREAL
DAVID A. WRIGHT

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY VETERINARY CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be lieutenant colonel

CHARLES C. DODD
HOWARD D. GOBBLE
STEVEN T. GREINER
SHELLEY P. HONNOLD
JERROD W. KILLIAN
BRIAN U. KIM
BRIDGET S. LEWIS
NANCY MERRILL
MARK L. RICHEY
PATRICIA Y. RILEY
HEATHER A. SERWON
MARK A. SMITH
JULIE M. STEPHENSDEVALLE
SHANNON A. STUTLER
DANIEL C. WAKEFIELD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY

MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be lieutenant colonel

SHEILA R. ADAMS
WILSON A. ARIZA
JOHN R. BAILEY
BRIAN E. BARTHELME
CARMEN A. BELL
TIMOTHY N. BERGERON
GRAEME C. BICKNELL
DANIEL G. BONNICHSEN
KATHERINE A. BRUCH
TRAVIS J. BURCHETT
KYLE J. BURROW
JAMES G. CAHILL
JOHN R. CALL
MARK C. CARDER
ERIC P. CARNAHAN
KRISTEN L. CASTO
RODRIGO CHAVEZ, JR.
LYNNE A. CHINTALA
ANTHONY S. COOPER
LEONARD A. CROMER, JR.
JENNIFER L. CUMMINGS
GERALD L. DALLMANN
THOMAS N. DAMIANI
CHRISTOPHER J. DAVID
WILLIAM E. DAVIS IV
KARL M. DEVLIN
MONICA S. DOUGLAS
DWAYNE A. ELDER
JAMES B. ELLEDGE
MICHAEL A. ELLIOTT
SANDRA ESCOLAS
ARTHUR B. FISCH
CRAIG R. FISHER
STEPHEN L. FRANCO
BERNADETTE FULLER
DOUGLAS H. GALUSZKA
CHRISTOPHER A. GELLASCH
SHEPARD H. GIBSON II
GUY J. GIERHART
ROGER S. GIRAUD
STEVEN D. HANKINS
RONALD E. HARPER
JONATHAN A. HEAVNER
TIMOTHY J. HOIDEN
PHILIP A. HOLCOMBE
MATTHEW J. HORSLEY
NATHAN O. HUCK
THOMAS L. HUNDLEY
DANIEL E. JETTON
DAVID A. JOHNSON, JR.
GREGORY A. JOHNSON
NATHAN A. KELLER
TIMOTHY D. KUNDINGER
RAYMOND D. LAUREL
JACK R. LEECH III
JOSEPH F. LINEBERRY, JR.
BARBARA LOCKBAUM
MICHAEL G. MACCLAREN II
JOHNNIE R. MANNING, JR.
JEFFREY S. MARKS
LYNN E. MARM
BRIAN D. MARTIN
JOHN J. MARTIN
RICKY J. MARTINEZ
HUGH A. MCLEAN, JR.
JOHN H. MCMAHAN
KENNETH R. MCPHERSON
SCOTT R. MELLING
TERRY R. MOREN
JEFFERY L. MOSSO
ROBERT L. NACE
RICARDO J. NANNINI
CHAD E. NELSON
ENRIQUE ORTIZ, JR.
PETER L. PLATTEBORZE
MICHAEL R. POUNCEY
BRANDON J. PRETLOW
MARK C. PROBUS
HABY RAMIREZ
WILLIAM R. REDISKE
JASON H. RICHARDSON
MICHAEL C. SAUER
ERIC R. SCHMACKER
JEFFREY D. SHIELDS
MAELIEN SHIPMAN
DAVID L. SILVER
ALICK E. SMITH
MIKAL L. STONER
WILLIAM M. STRIDER
YOLONDA R. SUMMONS
PATRICK A. TAVELLA
BARBARA A. TAYLOR
LISA A. TEEGARDEN
STEENVORT J. VAN
JAMES L. WADDICK, JR.
BLAIN S. WALKER
BRIAN K. WALKER
DENNIS W. WALKER
TIMOTHY D. WALSH
OLIVER T. WALTON
NORMAN C. WATERS
MICHAEL C. WILLIAMS
CHRISTOPHER A. WODARZ
AMMON WYNN III
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THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DENTAL CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be major

JEFFREY M. ADCOCK